Colored People's Column

BY REV. R. H. SIMMONS, JR., A.B.

According to promise the writer visited the colored graded school last Monday and spent a good portion of the day, taking an excellent view of the situation. I am prepared to give a brief sketch of the school to the public.

The school, in the first place, where it is located on South Myers street, is one of the most desirable places in Brooklyn and the trees on the campus simply beautify it. It is believed in the near future that the right party will take things in charge and will have erected a nice brick building and rooms sufficient to accommodate all the students who desire to attend, as there is not enough room now to do so.

The graded school has eighteen excellent teachers who are prepared to give ample satisfaction in the persons of Prof. S. B. Pride, principal; Jessie Pride, Zella Alston, N. L. Leary, N. E. Johnson, Margaret Tate, H. G. Stewart, Mary Springs, Emma Wyche, Bessie Hoover, Willie Massey, Estelle Griggs, Leanna Cardwell, Lusco Jackson, Addie McKnight, Blanche Tyson, Hattie Neal, Rosa Barber.

Professor Pride, as a principal, is indeed a good instructor and adequate to his task, and the students all love his training. The parents will do well to send their children to these teachers and visit the school when convenient, to see the rapid progress they are making. The enrollment is 1,596 pupils; 1,300 regular attendance. The grades are well systematized and each teacher knows his or her place and can be found at any time during school hours in their respective rooms in the building. Let me urge each scholar to not lose a moment's time, for a day that is lost can't be regained.

Rev. A. J. Warner preached quite a historical sermon at his church on Mint street last Sunday evening at 8 o'clock to the colored waiters of the city. His text was found Genesis 39:2: "And the Lord was a prosperous man and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian." There was an immense crowd to hear him preach this special sermon. Dr. Warner, who is known better as the "Swamp Angel," is a candidate in his connection for the bishopric.

Rev. Dr. P. S. Lewis is pastor of the First Baptist church on South Church street. He and his congregation are preparing to have a big Sunday school rally for their new brick building, which is on the way to completion, on the third Sunday in April, which is Easter. The programme will be conducted in the afternoon by the able superintendent of the Sunday school, Mr. W. B. Morris. The revival services will start from that Sunday. Rev. S. L. Johnson, the evangelist from Boydton, Va., will conduct these services. Everybody far and near is cordially invited to attend.

There will be three Sunday schools of the city to give a union picnic, egg cracking and a fishing party, Easter Monday, about three miles from the city near Moores' sanctuary. Children can all go who belong to the Sunday schools free. All adults belonging to the Sunday school can go in transfer wagons for 25 cents each.

Rev. Alexander Hannon, who is now pastor of Grace A. M. E. Zion church, is considered one among the leading young men of the city. He is serving one of the up-to-date churches of the city. His church is located on South Brevard street. When convenient, give him a call and hear this young, able divine. His congregation all love him and his Sunday school is prosperous.

We have in the city thirty colored churches and each respective church has a respectable congregation. This speaks well for the colored population.

Never stay at one house too long—not longer than thirty minutes, unless when you and your wife or yourself are invited to spend the day.

Be careful how you converse with men, even when you talk. Let your conversation be as becometh the Gospel of Christ. Always be very watchful, as you are carefully weighed by every one who listens to you; when you speak some one will take it to another neighbor and sometimes misconstrue it. By trusting in God and doing right success will be yours.

The Sunday school convention and church extension department of the Salisbury district of the A. M. E. Zion Church will convene in a few weeks in Centre Grove church, three miles north of the city. Rev. R. H. Simmons, pastor; Rev. M. V. Marable, D. D., P. E. We will let the public know the exact date so all can go out to the suburbs of the city and enjoy themselves at this gathering. The street car can accommodate you by carrying you in one-half of a mile of the church, as it is north of the city, therefore you would have to catch the Highland park street car.

It is hoped that every colored citizen of Charlotte, man or woman, boy and girl, will be found in some church Easter Sunday at 11 a. m. as the ministers of the city all have arranged for special services for that hour, and all who can meet the Y. M. C. A. at 5 p. m. that evening as the doors of the library will be standing open to welcome you. Special service at that hour.

MR. MOORE AT WAYNESVILLE.

Children of Graded School Hear Him With Delight, and He Wins Votes in Haywood.

Special to The Observer.

Waynesville, April 11.—To the great delight of the four hundred graded school children here, Mr. C. C. Moore, of Mecklenburg county, addressed them at their chapel exercises yesterday morning. He was particularly happy in that he adapted himself to the understanding of every child in the room, and had their undivided attention from the beginning to the end of his speech.

Mr. Moore exhibited to the children some cotton in the raw state and told how it may be converted from an article worth only $50 a bale to goods worth $2,800 a bale, thus showing the wonderful development yet in store for North Carolina. He showed by samples of the goods how this great increase in the value of cotton is brought about. His excellent points, so well put, were heartily enjoyed by the children and teachers, who gave him liberal applause.

After the speech, Superintendent W. C. Allen said that the speaker had captured the convention of children and he felt that he could pledge Mr. Moore, if all could vote, four hundred votes from the Waynesville graded school for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, which statement was tumultuously applauded.

Mr. Moore has made many friends here and his chances to win the vote of Haywood county in the State convention are most excellent.

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LATOUR STOCK COMPANY.

This week popular prices will reign again at the Academy of Music and for all the week. The offering will be the Marie LaTour Stock Company, one of the best known and largest repertoire organizations on the road and, no doubt, each performance will be witnessed by a large audience. The opening to-morrow night will present that popular success, "The Fatal Scar," and the production will be made with special scenery and effects and a strong cast will be seen in the play. Between acts will be presented an abundance of specialties and all of an up-to-date, clever character. The company is especially strong with its vaudeville and, in fact, carries a complete vaudeville organization aside from its large corps of dramatic artists. The vaudeville will be found to be the equal of any offering ever made in Charlotte and will include not alone single acts, but doubles. Also the noted Desmond Trio, and at each performance there will be plenty of specialties. The repertoire of the company is entirely new to this city and consists of only the very latest successes, and each production will be made with special care as to detail and fine stage settings.

On the inaugural occasion to-morrow night the usual courtesy will be extended the ladies, which means that every lady accompanied by the holder of a paid 30 cents ticket will be admitted free, provided such ticket is secured by 6 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Seats went on sale at Hawley's yesterday.

DE WOLF HOPPER.

"Happyland" is the promising name of an undiscovered comic opera land through which Mr. De Wolf Hopper is leading a personally conducted tourist party. Mr. Hopper in such a capacity will surely prove something amusing to the theatre-goers of this city, for he "knows the ropes" so to speak. In the past, he has never gone astray in the comic opera world or lead others to follow save where the eye and ear could both be capitally entertained at once. In the present instance, the land comes from the joint workshop of Mr. Frederic Ranken, a librettist whose work in other fields has scored and Mr. Reginal De Koven, who has succeeded in furnishing a musical score superior to all of his efforts since his famous "Robin Hood." If the universal approval of every city in which "Happyland" was produced last season (and this includes of course, the three separate, distinct and highly successful runs in as many New York play houses—an unparalleled feat in theatricals) if all this is any criterion, the collaborators have done their work well and Mr. Hopper has found opportunities fully as great as those in the celebrated "Wang" and "El Capitan."

"Happyland's" claim as a real comic opera will be found in its genuine brilliancy of witty dialogue and catchy music. Mr. De Koven has supplied an opening number which is classical to a high degree requiring a symphony orchestra for proper portrayal. Many of the following numbers are of that jingling, captivating kind that makes you want to whistle or sing. The story is fully in keeping with the excellent music and does not consist of a mass of interpolated puns and stale gags. Every feature of both the book and score bear the ear marks of originality—a fact for which we all should be thankful. A company of nearly one hundred artists including Marguerite Clark is required to properly portray the different parts of the opera. The production is complete in every detail and an attraction of more than ordinary merit will surely be the case when "Happyland" visits the Academy of Music Monday night, April 20th.

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SPARK ARRESTER INVENTED.

Two Forsyth Citizens Secure Patent on Valuable Article—Horse Killed in Peculiar Manner.

Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, April 11.—Messrs. John E. Dunpster, of Mayodan, and C. V. Pegram, of Walkertown, have secured a patent on a new spark arrester for locomotive engines. The new invention is designed to fill a long-felt need, as a successful spark arrester has not been brought to the attention of the railroads. The new invention has been thoroughly tested and the inventors say that it is a pronounced success.

Winston-Salem now has one of the prettiest drug stores in the South. The store of Mr. E. W. O'Hanlon, which has been in the hands of carpenters, painters and decorators for the past several weeks, was reopened to-day at 12 o'clock. The interior of the store is a beauty. The fixtures are of high-grade mahogany and make a most attractive appearnce. The soda fountain is one of the handsomest in the entire country. Many people say that there is not a drug store in the State to equal the Twin City's new store.

A horse belonging to Mr. Calvin Griffin, who lives about eight miles west of the city, met death in a very peculiar manner about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The horse and a mule were hitched to a two-horse wagon and were standing on Fifth street at the intersection of Trade street, when a runaway horse attached to a dray came tearing down Fifth street. The runaway horse ran into the two-horse wagon, the wheels of the dray striking the horse of Mr. Griffin in the head, injuring it so that death resulted in about fifteen minutes. The runaway horse belonged to Mr. James F. Griffith, of the Farmers' Trade House, who promptly purchased a mule and gave it to Mr. Griffin in the place of the horse killed.

Fat Woman's Troubles.

If you try to get the fat off with the exercise, tell me, please, where's one going to find the time? I haven't any faith in it, anyway, as a reducer. It hurts the fat person's weakest spot—the heart. As for dieting, that is out of the question, altogether. Better be fat than have cancer of the stomach.

The safest and quickest way to reduce excess fat is also the cheapest and easiest. Go to the druggist and get ½ ounce Marmola, ½ ounce Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic and 2½ ounces Syrup Simplex. They cost but a trifle. Take them home, shake them together in a bottle, and take a teaspoonful after meals and at bedtime. If you are not losing a half to a pound of fat a day inside of a month, your case will be one in a hundred. Try it—makes you feel better all over

Members of "Buster Brown" Company Poisoned.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, April 11.—The "Buster Brown" Company, which arrived here this morning on a special train from Spartanburg, brought three very sick members of the troupe, chorus girls. It seems that after the performance at Spartanburg last night the members went to a restaurant, and it is alleged were poisoned by drinking milk. They were placed in the Biltmore Hospital upon arrival here and, while improved, were unable to appear with the company to-night.

A mad dog in West Asheville this morning bit a small child of Mr. and Mrs. Peterson and attempted to bite another child, but was driven away by bystanders. A posse of citizens organized and, arming themselves with shotguns and pistols, went out and killed the dog. The child was badly bitten about the face and shoulder.

Mr. Craig Speaks at Thomasville.

Special to The Observer.

Thomasville, April 11.—Mr. Locke Craig, of Asheville, addressed about 500 citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, in the opera house last night. He discussed the political issues that confront the State and nation. He had been suffering all day from a deep cold and was very hoarse, but as he warmed up in his discussions his voice improved and he preached true Democracy from the beginning to the end of his speech.

Rev. Dr. T. F. Marr, presiding elder, of the Winston district, will preach in the Methodist church tomorrow, morning and night.

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DISEASES OF WOMEN

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Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Charles Green, deceased, late of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of March, 1909, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

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By direction of the General Claim Agent and commencing at 10 a. m. Wednesday, April 22d, 1908, I will sell at public auction at the warehouse, corner E. Trade street and Railroad, in Charlotte, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash, the following articles of refused and unclaimed freight:

1 box extracts; 1 keg cider; 1 bdl bedding; 1 sack nuts, M. Hooper, Durham, N. C.; 1 iron bed and rails, R. E. Lynn, Durham, N. C.; 1 case picture cards, L. C. Mills, Lincolnton, N. C.; 1 case brick, O. A. Hatog, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 case shoes, M. T. Hinson, Rockingham, N. C.; 1 pkg oil cloth; 1 bed spring; 1 crate steroscope views, McL. & S., Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 case drugs; 1 case shoes, M. T. Hinson, Rockingham, N. C.; 1 iron bed and rails; 1 bdl bedding; 1 case coffee, L. A. M. & Son, Laurinburg, N. C.; 2 chairs; 3 chairs, G. Mfg. Co., Cherryville, N. C.; 1 pails stock food, J. D. Hortoh, Apex, N. C.; 3 chairs; 1 trunk personal effects; 2 chairs; 1 case shoes; 1 pails stock food, J. D. Hortoh, Apex, N. C.; 1 oil tank, J. W. M., Wake Forest, N. C.; 1 barrel samps, W. Bros., Forrestville, N. C.; 1 case dry goods, A. A. C., Rosindale, N. C.; 1 sewing machine, J. M. Clark, Clarkton, N. C.; 1 mirror and top, G. D. P. & Co., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 barrel glassware, W. Bros., Forrestville, N. C.; 1 lounge, E. O. Pool, Wilmington, N. C.; 1 writing desk, B. & R., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 case glass, W. T. M. & Co., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 case coffee, L. A. M. & Son, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 marble basin; 1 crt picture frames, F. P. Co., Severn, N. C.; 1 planter; 1 sewing machine, J. M. C. & Co., Clarkton, N. C.; 1 crate oil cans; 1 box personal effects; 1 planter; 1 washing machine; 2 boxes marbles; 1 bbl paint; 1 bbl syrup; 1 bbl paint; 1 wash machine; 10 bbl cement; 1 bbl paint; 1 bbl molasses; 1 dump cart and shafts; 1 case drugs, L. & F., Conway, N. C.; 1 case drugs, W. J. S., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 case drugs, L. & F., Conway, N. C.; 1 barrel oil; 1 case books, T. J. Horton, Durham, N. C.; 1 lawn swing; 1 case hardware, order notify E. Singleton, Lumberton, N. C.; 1 crate picture frames; 1 bbl glassware, H. B. S., Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 case drugs, L. & F., Conway, N. C.; 1 case notions; 1 bag seed, W. A. Myatt, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 crate shafts, W. T. M. & Co., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 crate glass, J. C. Neimeyer, Hamlet, N. C.; 1 case drugs, L. & F., Conway, N. C.; 1 bundle chairs; 1 case stock powders, Orr & Orr, Matthews, N. C.; 1 crate picture frames, L. M. McD., Lumberton, N. C.; 1 box glassware, A. B. Jones, Ellenboro, N. C.; 1 case elevator cups, Cherryville Eagle, Cherryville, N. C.; 1 case drugs; 1 case picture cards, J. & C., Hamlet, N. C.; 1 case drugs, P. D. McRae, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 bdl two cots; 1 box hardware, J. P. Beam, Rutherfordton, N. C.; 1 gas range, o|n D. L. H. & P. Co., Durham, N. C.; 1 lot guano horns; 1 case books, T. J. Horton, Durham, N. C.; 1 case books, Cliffside Mills, Cliffside, N. C.; 1 case drugs, R. H. Co., Far River, N. C.; 1 crt child's wagons, O. & Son, Cherryville, N. C.; 1 case brass goods, o|n J. A. Gregory, Wilmington, N. C.; 1 barrel cans, W. G. Long, Monroe, N. C.; 1 Morris chair; 1 case ad matter, C. H. Parks, Louisburg, N. C.; 1 sack seed; 1 box brick, M. B., Lumberton, N. C.; 1 case drugs, T. L. Watt & Co., Scott, N. C.; 1 case books, C. S. McCall, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 case guns, McA. Hdw. Co., Lumberton, N. C.; 1 case clothing, Cliffside Mills, Cliffside, N. C.; 1 cs ad mtr, A. S. Jones, Franklin, N. C.; 1 case drugs; 1 crate picture frames, C. H. Bostic, Bostic, N. C.; 1 case toilet paper, W. C. Co., Wadesboro, N. C.; 1 crt stool, E. B. Massinburg, Rutherfordton, N. C.; 1 case syrup, H., Cherryville, N. C.; 1 organ, S. R. & Co., Franklinton, N. C.; 1 box ad matter, B. H. Gillis, Hamlet, N. C.; 1 vending machine, H. M. Co., Monroe, N. C.; 1 box drugs, W. F. Alexander, Pittsboro, N. C.; 1 bundle two cots; 1 bale twine; 1 bbl. gl ware, H. B. S., Laurinburg, N. C.; 6 grind stones; 1 box drugs, W. F. Alexander, Pittsboro, N. C.; 1 crt tin cans, J. F. Newton, Littleton, N. C.; 1 box pictures, F. K. Gordon, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 bdl rockers; 1 case syrup, "H.," Cherryville, N. C.; 1 pkg 3 cudys tobacco; 1 case envelopes, J. T. Smith, Rockingham, N. C.; 1 case stationery; 1 crt monument; 1 cs ad matter, J. D. Crenshaw, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 cs toy wagons, C. & S. Son, Cherryville, N. C.; 1 box machinery, "M.," Durham, N. C.; 1 cs pict frames, F. P. Co., Severn, N. C.; 1 cs books, R. Culbreth, Lumberton, N. C.; 1 cs drugs, C. B. Lassiter, Conway, N. C.; 1 wagon seat; 1 cs coffee, L. A. M. & Son, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 case syrup, H., Cherryville, N. C.; 1 cs drugs; 1 cs groceries, S. Blanton, Cherryville, N. C.; 1 bundle two cots; 1 bundle copper ties; 1 cs drugs, E. C. Crouse, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 cs books, R. & A., Bostic, N. C.; 1 cs ink, S. L. J., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 box picture frames; 1 chest personal effects, H. A. Reed, Wilmington, N. C.; 1 case soda; 1 box chew gum, H. M. Co., Monroe, N. C.; 1 case drugs, C. R. S. Co., Louisburg, N. C.; 1 case toilet paper, W. C. Co., Wadesboro, N. C.; 1 box seed, L. & F., Conway, N. C.; 1 box drugs, J. J. J., Raleigh, N. C.; 1 crt picture frames, G. P. C., Matthews, N. C.; 1 bbl twine; 6 grind stones; 1 case ad matter, R. O. W., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 box snuff, M. Bros., Forrestville, N. C.; 1 cs drugs, "H.," Wake Forest, N. C.; 1 case overalls; 1 lot guano horns; 1 box crockery, W. R. Early, Caroleen, N. C.; 1 show case; 1 cs coffee, L. A. M. & Son, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 vending machine, H. M. Co., Monroe, N. C.; 1 box drugs, J. C. Ford, Wyatt, N. C.; 1 pkg 3 cads tob., L. Bros., Rockingham, N. C.; 1 bdl 2 cots; 1 crt toy wagons, J. D. Sanford, Laurinburg, N. C.; 1 case clothing, S. M. B. Co., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 box drugs, E. C. Crouse, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 bdl notions, J. H. Camp, Forest City, N. C.; 1 box tiling, H. E. B., Wilmington, N. C.; 1 case stock powders, Orr & Orr, Matthews, N. C.; 1 box picture frames, J. E. Rudy, Raleigh, N. C.; 1 cs snuff, M. Bros., Forrestville, N. C.; 1 cs drugs, T. L. Watts & Co., Scott, N. C.; 1 sewing machine, J. M. C. & Co., Clarkton, N. C.; 1 cs. drugs; 1 cs syrup, "H.," Cherryville, N. 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